GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

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PRIVATE POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES AND RTI ACT
Thummar Shri Virjibhai

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the private power distribution companies are not covered under the Right to Information Act;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) if not, the number of information furnished by the private companies during the last three years, till-date; and

(d) the laid down norms for obtaining information from the joint ventures of the Union and State Governments under the Right to Information Act?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS.(SHRI SURESH PACHOURI)

(a) and (b) : Only non-Government organizations substantially financed by the funds provided by the Government are covered under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

(c) : The information is not centrally maintained.

(d) : Norms for obtaining information from public authorities are laid in the Act.